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See Attached regarding 10/751,008

### DETAILED ACTION

The reply filed on 11-18-06 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s) See 37 CFR 1.111: Newly submitted claims 22 and 23 are directed to an invention that is independent or distinct from the invention originally claimed for the following reasons: The Applicant previously Elected in response to a Restriction Requirement to one of the following inventions as/is required under 35 U.S.C. 121:

- I. Claims 1- 16, drawn to a method and medium for a computing system for managing products, classified in class 707, subclass 102
- II. Claims 17 - 21, drawn to a data structure for managing product, classified in class 707, subclass 103R.

In the amendment response to the Restriction Requirement, the Applicant elected without traverse Group I with species selection. In turn, the second Non-Final Office Action was based on the Examination of Group I, which included Independent claims 1 and 9. However, the Applicant has canceled claims 1, 2 and 8 – 9 as well as amended claims 4 and 12 to be dependant on newly submitted claims 22 and 23. In that regard, new Independent claims 22 and 23 would have been a separate and Independent Group III in the original Restriction Requirement because these claims are to a method and medium for a computing system for managing products comprising integrating a plurality of product applications for a product management system, classified in class 705, subclass 7.

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Since applicant has received an action on the merits for the originally presented invention, this invention has been constructively elected by original presentation for prosecution on the merits. Accordingly, claims 22 and 23 are withdrawn from consideration as being directed to a non-elected invention. See 37 CFR 1.142(b) and MPEP § 821.03.

The requirement is still deemed proper and is therefore made FINAL.

Currently, there are no claims pending.

Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

### ***Conclusion***

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to **Rob Rhode** whose telephone number is **571.272.6761**. The examiner can normally be reached Monday thru Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, **Wynn Coggins** can be reached on **571.272.7159**.

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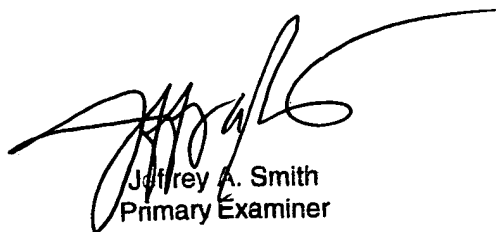
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